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## **European Society of Cardiology Bulletin**

At the time of the Congress of the European Society of Cardiology at Amsterdam, there were several discussions concerning how the European Society of Cardiology could provide better and regular information on its activities to all its members. There was general agreement that the simplest way of effecting this was by publishing notices in the various European journals of cardiology or internal medicine.

The Board of the European Society of Cardiology is, therefore, grateful to the editors and publishers of journals who have kindly agreed to help. It is hoped that this will not only provide a means of diffusing information from the Board to the members, but will also encourage individual members to communicate with the Board on questions of general interest.

According to the Statutes of the European Society of Cardiology a new Board was elected by the General Assembly for the period from 1976–1980. The election took place on 25 June 1976, during the Congress of the European Society of Cardiology at Amsterdam:

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The Statutes of the ESC were amended in several points and accepted by the General Assembly. In accordance with Article 8 of the 'Standing Orders' the Board has selected 15 working groups. The functions of the working groups are outlined in Article 8 as follows:—

- (1) To promote and organise research in the subject.
- (2) To gather together and exchange information.
- (3) To contribute to the organisation and preparation of congresses, scientific meetings, and symposia.

The topics and chairmen of the working groups will be given in the next bulletin.

The following is a list of meetings which will be sponsored by the ESC during 1977. Many of these meetings are in association with meetings of the working groups. The Board believes that it is desirable for as many meetings as possible to be 'open', at least to local members. On the other hand, it appreciates the difficulties involved in organising such meetings and realises that 'open' meetings might not always be practicable, especially when

they may be regarded as the work of an 'expert'

June 23-24, Rotterdam. 'Echocardiography'

Correspondence address: Symposium on Echocardiography, Thoraxcentrum, Erasmus University, P.O. Box 1738, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

September 4-6, Utrecht. 4th Workshop on Contractile Behaviour of the Heart. 'Relaxation and Diastole'

Open—limited to 200 participants

Secretary: Prof. F. L. Meijler, Department of Cardiology, University Hospital, Catharijnesingel 101, Utrecht, The Netherlands

September 23-24, Lyon. 'Aortic valve disease in adults'

Open to local cardiologists

Secretary: Prof. J. Delaye, Hôpital Cardio-Vasculaire et Pneumologique, B.P. Lyon-Montchat, 69394 Lyon 3e, France September 29-October 1, Rotterdam. '5th Annual Conference on Computers in Cardiology'

Open

Secretary: Prof. P. G. Hugenholtz, Medische Faculteit Rotterdam, Thoraxcentrum, Postbus 1738, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

October 5-8, Barcelona. 'International symposium on the diagnosis and treatment of cardiac arrhythmias'

Open

Secretaries: Dr. A. Bayés de Luna and Dr. L. Sanchéz-Harguindey, OTAC, S.A. Organización y Servicio de Congresos, Apartado de Correos 22.055, Barcelona, Spain

December 2-3, Paris. 'Isotopes'

Open

Secretary: Prof. M. Degeorges, Hôpital Cochin, 27 rue du Faubourg Saint Jacques, 75014 Paris, France British Heart Journal, 1977, 39, 700

## International Cardiopulmonary Symposium, Bombay, 13-15 November 1977

An International Cardiopulmonary Symposium will be held at Hotel President (India), Bombay, from 13 to 15 November 1977. The Symposium is being sponsored by the Western India Chapter, International Academy of Chest Physicians and Surgeons (affiliated with the American College of Chest Physicians), and Association of Physicians of India and its Bombay Branch, and Indian Association for Chest Diseases. The Symposium in which many international authorities are participating will deal with advances in cardiopulmonary medicine and surgery. For further information, write to Dr. M. Paul Anand, Secretary General, International Cardiopulmonary Symposium, 4 Narendra Bhuvan, Bhulabhai Desai Road, Bombay 400 026.

## International Union of Angiology

First Announcement—XIth International Congress of Angiology, Prague, Czechoslovakia, 2–8 July 1978. Adaptability of the vascular wall; physiopathology, diagnosis, and therapy of vascular diseases.

Local organising committee:

President: Z. Reiniš, Prague, Laboratory of Angiology.

General Secretary: J. Pokorný, Prague, IVth Medical Clinic.

Scientific Secretary: J. Linhart, Prague, IKEM.

We announce with regret the death of the associate editor, Dr. Dennis Deuchar. An obituary will be appearing in a future issue.